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## **HOUSE BILL 898**

## By Zachary

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 56; Title 12; Title 41, Chapter 22; and Title 49, Chapter 3, relative to procurement.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-56-107(b)(5)(A), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(A) The fiscal review committee has forty-five (45) business days from receipt of the request as provided in this section to comment on the proposed contract. After this forty-five-day period, any such contract authorized by the chief procurement officer may be executed. All other requests to negotiate noncompetitive contracts must be reviewed by the fiscal review committee after approval by the chief procurement officer. With respect to such requests, the fiscal review committee shall be provided the same information to be submitted in accordance with subsection (a). The chair or the chair's designee, after consultation with the comptroller of the treasury, may waive the forty-five-day period for comment and authorize the chief procurement officer to execute contracts or amendments that are determined to be in the best interest of the state, and may proceed with reporting and comment by the committee at their next scheduled meeting. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.